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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT
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Kate Erickson
Uintah Special Services District
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Vernal, Utah 84078

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Crown Asphalt Corporation
P.O. Box 776
Vernal, Utah 84078

Re: Request for Updated Mining and Reclamation Plan and Updated Surface Facilities Map, Uintah County, Asphalt Ridge Mine M/047/022, Crown Asphalt Corporation (Crown), Asphalt Ridge Oil Sands Mine, M/047/032, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Ms. Erickson and Mr. Cloward:

We have been informed of Uintah County's reoccupation of the asphalt pit floor in section 31 which was effective on July 14, 1999. On November 24, 1998, the Division met with representatives from Crown and Uintah County. Future products from that meeting were to be: an updated Mining and Reclamation plan for each of the two separate operators, an updated surface facilities map showing current disturbances and areas of separate and overlapping reclamation responsibilities, and an operating agreement between Crown and Uintah County. A tentative completion date of February 1999 was estimated for these products.

As of this date, the Division has not received an updated Mining and Reclamation Plan, updated surface facilities map, or operating agreement. Uintah County's reoccupation of section 31 of the pit area without updated maps raises Division concerns regarding documentation of surface disturbances and identification of reclamation responsibility.

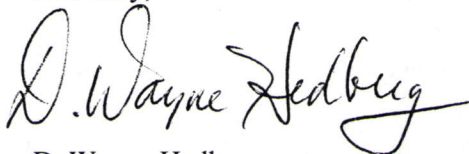
The Division formally requests the submission of updated mining and reclamation plans and updated surface facilities maps by August 31, 1999. The updated reclamation plan should include an updated reclamation treatments map of the same scale as the updated surface facilities map. Failure to provide this information in a timely manner may be just cause for commencement of formal enforcement action by the Division.

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Your prompt and immediate attention to this request would be appreciated. Please contact me at (801) 538-5286 if you require further direction in this matter. If I am unavailable, please contact the Associate Director, Mary Ann Wright at 538-5306 or Anthony Gallegos at 538-5267.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Wayne Hedberg". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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cc: Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director
Lowell Braxton, Director

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